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Family Environment, Junior

Boxes of parts
Yes, boxes of parts
 have I
Expensive ones
Bargain buys
The flashy
The elegantly simple
Some interchangeable
And some custom-made
Boxes of parts on shelves
Numbered
Ordered
At my disposal
Sometimes
Cold rainy days
I look at them
 and smile

But they are just parts
I can not make them whole
They came with a catalog
The big direction catalog
It says
 This way
 Or this way
 Or another way yet
Four million ways
To fit parts together

But it is not true
If I try
To put my parts together
They fight and scream
In their own boxes
They are happy
Quite content
Very fine parts indeed
Clean
Quiet
Even reverent
My boxes of parts
And I